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2. Shortly after the examination of the building site in November 1954, the Poles began clearing away the rubble around the power plant. They probably began renovating the buildings a short time later. The Poles intend to do all the reconstruction work on the buildings and foundations without foreign help. They must complete the construction work by the fall of 1956, since the first new machines are scheduled to be put into operation at about that time. All the machinery for the plant is to be constructed in Western

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